IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

BAUMANN et al.

Title:

OLIGONUCLEOTIDES AND METHODS FOR DETECTING HEPATITIS C VIRAL NUCLEIC

ACIDS

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

[]	Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a previous
		assertion of Small Entity status.

- [] Assertion of Small Entity status is enclosed.
- [X] Amendment and Reply Under 37 CFR 1.111 (7 pages).

[X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims		Extra					***************************************	
	As		Previously		Claims				Additional
	Amended		Paid For		Present		Rate		Claims Fee
Total Claims:	7	-	20	******	0	X	\$50.00	=	\$0.00
Independent Claims:	2	-	3	-	0	X	\$200.00	=	\$0.00
First p	oresentation o	of any	Multiple	Depen	dent Claims:	+	\$360.00	=	\$0.00
					CLAIMS	FEI	E TOTAL	-	\$0.00

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[] Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$120.00	\$0.00
[X] Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$450.00	\$450.00
[] Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,020.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,590.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,160.00	\$0.00
EXTENSION FEE	TOTAL:	\$450.00
[] Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d):	\$130.00	\$0.00
CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER FEE	TOTAL:	\$450.00
[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above): Extension Fees Previously Paid:		\$0.00
		\$0.00
ТОТ	AL FEE:	\$450.00

The above-identified fees of \$450.00 are being paid by credit card via EFS-Web.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0872. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment instructions in EFS-Web being incorrect or absent, resulting in a rejected or incorrect credit card transaction, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 50-0872.

If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0872.

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Respectfully submitted,

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